(*b*) if so, on what date;

(*c*) the pendency of cases when the Hon'ble Minister inspected;

(*d*) whether it has been brought to their notice that several cases are pending from the last three to four years;

(*e*) whether they have thought of starting an additional Criminal Court in Davangere to cope with heavy work?

A.—**Sri K. CHENGALARAYA REDDY** (Chief Minister).—

(*a*) and (*b*) The Minister for Law and Labour inspected the Court buildings at Davangere on 22nd August 1949.

(*c*) First Class cases	...	59
Second Class cases	...	67
Third Class cases	...	61
Total	...	197

(*d*) Yes.

(*e*) The question of appointing an Additional First Class Magistrate at Davangere is under the consideration of Government.

Supply of Electric Power to rural areas for agricultural and lighting purposes.

*Q.—131. **Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA** (Chitaldrug District—General).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the total kilowatts of electricity produced in each generating station in the State;

(*b*) whether all the power produced is consumed; if not, the percentage of power consumed;

(*c*) whether they have any scheme for supplying electric power to rural areas both for agricultural and lighting purposes;

(*d*) if so, whether they will place a copy of the same on the table of the House;

(*e*) the villages in Davangere Taluk wherefrom applications for the supply of electric power are received; from what period they are pending?

A.—**Sri K. T. BHASHYAM** (Minister for Law and Labour).—

(*a*) The total Kilowatt hours produced during 1948-49 in the three Generating Stations are as follows:—

		K.W.H.
Sivasamudram	...	232,774,200
Shimshapura	...	106,524,100
Jog	...	34,116,400

(*b*) The question is not clear, as electricity is produced in a Generating Station to the extent it is consumed.

(*c*) Yes. The general principle adopted is to electrify all villages having a population of 1,000 and above during the course of the next three years as far as practicable.

(*d*) Does not arise in view of answer to (*c*).

(*e*) The estimates prepared for power supply to most of the places in Chitaldrug are under consideration. No list of villages has been maintained for the applications received for power supply.

Extent of cultivable waste land in the State.

*Q.—132. **Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA** (Chitaldrug District—General).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the total acreage of cultivable waste land in the State (acreage district-war may kindly be given);

(*b*) whether any steps have been taken to bring the same under the plough?

A.—**Sri H. SIDDAIYA** (Minister for Revenue and Excise).—

(*a*) *Name of District.*		*Cultivable waste including current fallows in acres.*
1. Mysore	...	318,898
2. Chikmagalur	...	165,351
3. Tumkur	...	123,157
4. Mandya	...	67,222
5. Shimoga	...	120,501
6. Hassan	...	94,924
7. Kolar	...	180,659
8. Bangalore	...	181,852
9. Chitaldrug		Not yet furnished by the Deputy Commissioner.

(*b*) Yes. steps are being taken to bring these lands under the plough by disposing them of under ordinary darkhast rules, Grow More Food Scheme and on Co-operative Farming basis.

Concessions in the form of remission of assessment, supply of seeds and manure at cost price, tractor service, subsidy for sinking irrigation wells, liberal grants of Takavi and Land Improvement Loans, etc., are being granted to the raiyats to encourage them to take up the lands and cultivate.

Supply of agricultural implements to the raiyats.

*Q.—133. Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA (Chitaldrug District—General).—

Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the number of licensed iron dealers in the State;

(*b*) the quantity of agricultural implements received by each of them last year, *i.e.*, from 1st January 1949 up to 31st December 1949;

(*c*) whether they are aware of the extreme hardships endured by the agriculturists due to complete stoppage of supply of agricultural implements;

(*d*) why they did not commandeer the stocks available with the licensed dealers and supply the necessary implements to the raiyats;

(*e*) the steps they have taken to relieve the situation and to secure an adequate quantity of agricultural implements?

*A.—Sri T. MARIAPPA (Home Minister).—

(*a*) 78.

(*b*) The Government of India allot special steel quota for agricultural purposes. This agricultural quota is operated on by the Commissioner of Food Production and is not distributed through licensed dealers appointed for non-agricultural quota of iron and steel. The question as to the quantity of agricultural implements received by these dealers does not therefore arise.

(*c*) *Vide* answer to (*b*).

(*d*) In view of answer to (*b*) the question of commandeering the stocks does not arise.

(*e*) After prolonged correspondence with the Government of India, satisfactory arrangements have been made for the procurement and supply of iron and steel implements to the agriculturists.

Tractors, their cost and acres ploughed.

*Q.—134. Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA (Chitaldrug District—General).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the total number of tractors in the State;

(*b*) the number that are in use;

(*c*) the total cost of all the tractors;

(*d*) the ploughing capacity of all the tractors per month;

(*e*) the total area ploughed from 1-1-1949 to 31-12-1949?

*A.—Sri T. MARIAPPA (Home Minister).—

(*a*) 149.

(*b*) 115.

(*c*) Rs. 17,17,500.

(*d*) 11,920 acres for all tractors at 80 acres per tractor per month.

(*e*) 29,809 acres.

Quota of agricultural implements fixed for the State.

*Q.—136. Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA (Chitaldrug District—General).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the quota of agricultural implements fixed for the State by the Union Government;

(*b*) the steps that have been taken to ensure adequate and timely supply of the requisite quantity of the same?

*A.—Sri T. MARIAPPA (Home Minister).—

(*a*) Quota fixed for the year 1949 ... 1,299 tons.
Quota fixed for the year 1950 ... 3,750 tons.